

# Connecticut Emergency Medical Services Primary Service Area Task Force

## Workshop Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 23, 2014 at 1:30PM

Connecticut Department of Public Health

A/B Room, 470 Capitol Avenue, Hartford

### Task Force Committee Members Present:

Raphael Barishansky, Charles Babson, Matthew Galligan, Mary-Ellen Harper, Vincent Landisio, David Lowell, Thomas Ronalter, Carl Schiessl, Gary Wiemokly

### Task Force Committee Members Calling In:

Caroline Baisley, Bruce Baxter, Charlee Tufts

### Guests in Attendance:

James Brown, Wendy Furniss, Jill Kentfield, Elizabeth Keyes, Betty Morris, Ken Przybysz, Judith Reynolds, Brian Sullivan, Jaime Welsh

### 1.0 Call to Order

Co-Chair Barishansky called the meeting to order at 1:34 PM.

#### A. Introduction/Roll Call of Members

The Task Force members introduced themselves and their affiliations.

#### B. Introduction of Audience

The members of the audience introduced themselves and their affiliations.

#### C. Public Comment

James Brown, Fire Chief, UCONN Health Center, read for the Task Force a letter addressing his concerns. A copy was given to Co-chair Barishansky. Discussion followed. No other public comment was offered.

#### D. A motion to approve the minutes of 12/23/13 was made by (Landisio/Ronalter) approved.

A motion to approve the minutes of 1/6/14 was made by (Schiessl/Landisio) approved.

A motion to approve the minutes of 1/8/14 was made by (Lowell/Schiessl) approved.

A motion to approve the minutes of 1/13/14 was made by (Landisio/Ronalter) approved, Co-chair Barishansky abstained.

### 2.0 Old Business

#### A. DRAFT Task Force Final Report

There was discussion on services that operate in unique situations, such as Pratt & Whitney in Middletown.

Appendices content was discussed. There was consensus on two items, the Local EMS Plan template and the roster of Task Force members.

David Lowell distributed a document "Draft EMS Plan Template – EMS TF rev 1.0" dated 1/16/14, for consideration.

Discussion followed. Co-chair Barishansky will review the document with OEMS staff prior to the next meeting. Suggestion was made to add a more detailed medical control page. The document will be sent to all Task Force members for comment. There was discussion on Tribal Agencies, State Agencies and taxation districts.

Co-chair Harper distributed a three-page document titled "Proposed Changes to the State EMS Regulations and Statutes".

Charles Babson distributed a four-page document with suggested changes highlighted, "Connecticut Emergency Medical Services Primary Service Area Task Force – DRAFT Report, Page 8 of 12, 1-23-2014". Both documents were discussed.

A line-by-line review of the "Connecticut Emergency Medical Services Primary Service Area Task Force – DRAFT Report, Page 1 of 13, 1/22/2014" was continued. Each item was polled for consensus, items that consensus could not be reached were moved past for later consideration. There was discussion on stating differing opinions in the report. The importance of accurately reflecting opinions was discussed.

### 3.0 New Business

### 4.0 Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:15PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Judith Reynolds, DPH/OEMS, Region 2 Coordinator  
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